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President's Talk with Mikoyan.

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conversation between the President and Mikoyan. THE RESERVE THE PARTY OF THE PA

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discussion President handed Mikeyan personal message for Khrushchev in Wald

response to latter's published letter. RMR

> Mikoyan began by referring to Khrushchev's meeting with the then Senstor Johnson in 1959. Mikeyan recalled press reporting at the time they in Mr. Johnson's view Khrushchev's meeting with Pereign Relations Committee had gone well and that Ehrushchev was strong man well able to Thus even then there had been some contact and a defend his viewsoint. beginning of mutual understanding between Fresident and Khrushchev.

President replied that challenge of our times was how two sides could live in peace and for benefit of the world. US was earnessly seeking friendship and cooperation with all maticas. It sought no territory er demination of anyons. President Kennedy had sought daily for ways to bring about better understanding between peoples of the world, President said he fully supported this policy which would be respected and continued, US would meet anyone more than half. President continued that US not-

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planning invade Cube but Cuben problem was very serious one, little already taken had good part way to resolve problems and some lessening of tension a resolved.

President replied there would be as change in Kennedy solicy security biggest problem for US people stemmed from Castro-dominates Substitute. Zeit inevitably strained relations. We hoped however that in Interview 15 and 1500 would find they had made even greater gains toward peace than these was by President Kennedy and Khrushchev.

Mikoyan said he was very gratified to hear this. However, he seeld not understand how small nation like Cuba could subvert anyons. On testraty Canabeling subverted. USSR believes all subversion should be ended everywhere. He asked President believe that good relations with Cuba were in DE interest.

As President was pressed for time in connection with next applicant in confined himself to reiterating that he had made his statements as Lubs wime. To give an evaluation of the feelings of the US people.

President then thanked Mikoyan for coming to honor and pay tribute to like President. He looked forward to further meetings of this kind and hoped they would be fruitful. Mikeyan concluded conversation by echoing home for further meetings including meetings with Kirushchev and that these meetings would be fruitful.

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